

Welcome Team

Assisting This Week:

Sanctuary Lead – Tony Tadros **Upper Lobby** – Jean Stopa **Elevator** – Terry Stopa
Tech – John Sparrow **Reader** – Cathy Hitchcock **Lemonade in the Courtyard** –
Friendship

Assisting Next Week:

Sanctuary Lead – Ev Courtney **Upper Lobby** – Cathy Hitchcock **Elevator** – Doug
Hitchcock **Tech** – Megan Sweetman **Reader** – Dianne Nowoselski **Lemonade in
the Courtyard** – Sunshine

Our Prayer Chain is available. When you have a prayer concern, call Kate Sparrow @ 905-302-4549 or the church office.

Emergency Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Onsite located in the lower lobby outside the Fellowship Lounge. **Naloxone Kit** in the red First Aid box at the back of the sanctuary.

Sharing Our Offerings:

Streetsville United Church needs you now more than ever. Please consider any of the several ways to support our congregation and our work in the surrounding communities. Small changes, like a slight weekly or monthly increase, or more regular givings, can go a long way. All giving methods are on the website or contact the office for help.

- You can e-transfer directly to the church (use info@streetsvilleunited.ca) or the UCW (use stvlucw@streetsvilleunited.ca)
- Mailing in a cheque or post-dated cheques to the church (or drop off at secure mailboxes front and back of the church)
- Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) – automatic monthly deposits to the church. For more details, contact Bev Mathew at bev.mathew@rogers.com or 905-826-5005.
- Canada Helps (tax receipts provided by Canada Helps)

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Sunday August 23, 2026
Sermon - "The Power of Dreams"



*Anchored in God's Word...
Moving into God's Future*

*Centred on Christ, serving God and our neighbours.
To be a vibrant multigenerational congregation within
our diverse community sharing God's truth and
unconditional love.*

Order of Worship

God Invites Us to Gather

- *Indicates standing for all who are able*

Prelude	<i>"We Are climbing Jacob's Ladder"</i>	Arr. Cindy Berry
	<i>"Be Thou My Vision"</i>	Arr. Faye Lopez

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Our in-person worship occurs on the traditional land of Indigenous peoples including the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe, and Mississaugas of the Credit.

Announcements & Centering Ritual

Call to Worship*

One: Come, you who dream!

Many: We come with our dreams of abundance and peace and justice.

One: Come, you who dream!

Many: We come with our nightmares of poverty and violence and oppression.

One: Come, you who dream!

Many: We come, hoping to receive the power of God's Spirit to dream godly dreams, see godly visions, to prophesy as God would enable us.

One: Dreamers and visionaries, let's worship God together.

- **Hymn MV 74** “When Painful Mem’ries” (set to the tune
KINGSFOLD)

Opening Prayer**

Many: O Great Dreamer, You dreamed up the stars in the sky. You dreamed up that magic baby smell and the way cream sinks into coffee. You dreamed up the crunch of fall leaves and jazz music. You dreamed up wisteria and evergreen and the pure magic that is a six-foot-tall sunflower. And in the midst of all of that, You dreamed up a dream for Your people—a dream of hope and justice, a dream for hearts wide open both to the world’s suffering and to the world’s beauty. So today, as we worship, we ask that You would plant that same dream in us. Pour out Your Spirit on our hearts and minds so that we may notice what You notice and dream what You dream. Gratefully, we pray. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (also called the "Our Father"; see page 921 in *Voices United* songbook)

Time with God's Children "Dreamcatchers"

Prayer of Illumination (shared by Cathy Hitchcock)

Scripture **Genesis 37:1-11; 40:1-8; 41:14-16**
(read by Cathy Hitchcock)

Sermon **“The Power of Dreams”** Rev. Joe

Stewardship Moment

Offertory *"This is My Song"* *by Tome Fettke*
Singers: Karen Gravelsins, Kim Perrin, Eva Cummins, Cathy Hitchcock,
Rob Gravelsins, John Colins and Joe Hopkins

- Sung Dedication MV 182 *"Grateful"* (refrain only)

Prayer of Dedication and for Others

Each prayerful phrase ends, “God of our dreams,” and worshipers should respond, “Hear our prayer.”

- Hymn VU 651 *"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"*

Sending Words**

One: God created everything as a gift of love for all to share.

Many: May we go out into the world and continue to make God's dreams come true. Amen.

Benediction in Song MV 92 “Like a Rock” (with motions)

Postlude: *“Living Hope”* Arr. By Phillip Keveren

Please join us for lemonade in the courtyard.

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Announcements

The **Anniversary Committees** need your help! If you like to decorate the committee being led by Kacie Hopkins, and responsible for the decor for November 21 could use your ideas and assistance. The Silent Auction team, led by Ernie Perrin, also needs helpers to assist in finding items for the auction. If you can volunteer to help on either of these teams there are signup sheets in the narthex. Please join us in making this event a very special celebration!

Summer Bible Reading Program:

During the months of July and August we will be reading through the Book of Genesis together! Christian education chair Leslie Guimond and Rev. Joe have developed a booklet to help readers keep track of where they are in the book and try to make sense of the often-wild stories of the first book of the Bible. These booklets are now available in hardcopy in the upper lobby/narthex and on the church website under Worship and then Newsletters. We will also gather for in-person small group gatherings on Wed. Aug. 26 at 7 PM in the choir room.

Summer Sundays!

Sunday School is out for the summer and will reconvene in September! In the meantime, the toddler room, the nursery (where the tv monitor is showing the service!) and the Sunday School rooms will be open for those who wish to have a place for children and youths to play and read during the service. We welcome all to the service and look forward to seeing families in the lemonade courtyard gathering afterwards!

Eden Food for Change Donations: Please bring your non-perishable donations to the church and place them in the bin in the Lobby/Narthex. Cookies, tea, sugar, flour, salt, canned vegetables, canned pasta, Kraft dinner, pasta, soup, canned chickpeas, canned kidney beans, baked beans, jam, salmon, and dish soap.

Eden is again in need of egg cartons. These can be placed in the bin in the Narthex. Thank you for your continued support of Eden Food for Change.

Let's be environmentally aware and cost conscience. We will try recycling the music sheets in your bulletin. We ask that you leave the sheets in the Narthex after the service in the red basket.

We request any **jars** for jams and preserving. Please leave in the box in the Narthex.

Save the Date for Mississauga-Wide Hymn-Sing:

The United Church congregations of Mississauga will come together on **Sunday, Oct. 4 from 2-3:30 PM at Eden United Church** to explore the new United Church hymnal, *Then Let Us Sing!* Rest assured, this new song book won't replace the ones we already use. Instead, we have the opportunity to add more contemporary and more intercultural songs to what we currently sing. Mark your calendars for this event that will feature a lot of congregational singing, choir performances, and more collaboration with our siblings in Christ across our city!

#74 When Painful Mem'ries

When painful mem'ries haunt each day and dreams disturb the night,
When life is washed with shades of grey and phantoms fill our sight,
Christ stay beside us and embrace the Child who dwells with in;
Come, Healer, touch our lives with grace; restore our lives again.

When dreams at last bring peace and rest, and fear has lost control,
When tried by struggle, we are blessed with rightful mind and soul,
Stay close beside us as before, to guide us all our days,
Christ, take the lives that you restore and fit them for your praise

92

Like a Rock

Unison
♩ = 60

Like a rock, like a rock, God is un-der our feet. Like the
star-ry night sky God is o-ver our head. Like the
sun on the hor-i-zon God is ev-er be-fore. Like the riv-
er runs to o-cean, our home is in God ev-er-more.

Actions for "Like a Rock":

Like a rock: Extend both forearms upward, palms facing down in one movement.

Like the starry night sky: Wiggle fingers while slowly raising arms to head height.

Like the sun: Extend one forearm, palm up. With palm down, slowly extend the other hand 6" over the first arm,

arching up at the end, so the palm is facing away from the body.

Like the river: Leave the first forearm as before. Other hand makes a "swimming" motion close to it, by weaving it gently in handshake position.

Evermore: End with "God's hug" – crossing arms over chest, hands to shoulders.

Grateful

$\text{♩} = 116$ D Em⁷ Bm Gadd²

Refrain D G Em⁷

Grate-ful for the life you give us, thank-ful for your

Asus⁴ A F#m G

Ho-ly Son, joy-ful in your Spir-it flow-ing

Em⁷ Asus⁴ A D

o-ver all, O God of Love. Grate-ful for the

G Em⁷ Asus⁴ A

Bread of Heav-en, thank-ful for your Ho-ly Word,

F#m G Last time to coda Em⁷ G/A A

joy-ful in your mer-cy flow-ing, we will praise you.